



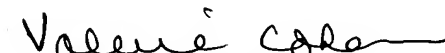
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Robert N. RICE et al.

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For: METHOD AND KIT FOR A NUCLEAR  
RUN-ON ASSAY (AS AMENDED)

Examiner: B. Sisson

Group Art Unit: 1634

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 & 1.98**

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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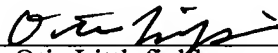
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	1.	Leadon, Steven A. (1986) "Differential Repair of DNA Damage in Specific Nucleotide Sequences in Monkey Cells" <i>Nucleic Acids Research</i> 14 (22): 8979-8995.

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